

Last Lecture Summary

- **Relational Database Design**
- **Features of good database design**
- **Reasons for bad database design:**
 - Redundancy**
 - Unavailability of data**
 - Anomalies – insert / delete / update**

Normalization

- Normalization is a database design technique which is used to organize the tables in such a manner that it should **reduce redundancy and dependency of data**.
- It divides larger tables to smaller tables and links these smaller tables using their relationships.
- Types of Normalization-
 - First Normal Form (1NF)
 - Second Normal Form (2NF)
 - Third Normal Form (3NF)
 - Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)
 - Fourth Normal Form (4NF)

Decomposition

Definition -

The decomposition of a relation schema

$$R = \{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$$

is its replacement by a set of relation schemes

$$\{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_m\}$$

such that

$$R_i \subseteq R \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$\text{and } R_1 \cup R_2 \cup \dots \cup R_m = R$$

Decomposition Example

$R = \{ \text{Emp_no}, \text{name}, \text{salary}, \text{branch_no}, \text{branch_add} \}$

Decompose into

$R1 = \{ \text{Emp_no}, \text{name}, \text{salary} \}$

$R2 = \{ \text{branch_no}, \text{branch_add} \}$

Where $R1 \subseteq R$ and $R2 \subseteq R$ and $R1 \cup R2 = R$

Decomposition Example

STDINF = { Name, Course, Ph_No, Major, Prof, Grade }

Decompose

Student = { Name, Ph_No, Major }

Teacher = { Course, Prof }

Course = { Name, Course, Grade }